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SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VOJTA

1. I HAD LENGTHY CHAT JUNE 28 WITH DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MILOS VOJTA, WHOSE RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE THE WHOLE NONCOMMUNIST DEVELOPING WORLD OR 109 COUNTRIES AT HIS LATEST COUNT. VOJTA CONFIRMED THAT GOC IS FOLLOWING POLICY OF AGGRESSIVELY DEVELOPING RELATIONS WITH THIRD WORLD. FOREIGN MINISTER CHNOUPEK WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THIS EFFORT THIS FALL DURING UNGA SESSION BY VISIT TO COSTA RICA AND POSSIBLY OTHER COUNTRIES IN CARIBBEAN AREA. VOJTA SAID THE MINISTRY IS OVEREXTENDED AND FINDS IT HARD TO PRODUCE BRIEFING PAPERS REQUIRED, BUT THE VALUE TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA OF DEVELOPING PERSONAL CONTACTS IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD OUTWEIGHTS THE DISADVANTAGES.

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2. VOJTA NOTED THAT HUSAK HAS BECOME FAR MORE INTERESTED IN FOREIGN TRAVEL NOW THAT HE HAS TITLE OF PRESIDENT OF REPUBLIC THAN HE WAS WHEN HE HAD ONLY THE PARTY GENERAL SECRETARY TITLE. HE ENJOYS THE PROTOCOL NICETIES SHOWN HEADS OF STATE, SUCH AS HE RECEIVED ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO IRAQ, WHICH VOJTA CALLED AN OUTSTANDING SUCCESS. HUSAK WILL BE DOING MORE TRAVELLING TO NON-

COMMUNIST COUNTRIES.

3. VOJTA ALLEGED THAT LIBYAN LEADER QADDAFI HAD WANTED TO COME HERE IMMEDIATELY AFTER HIS VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA, BUT WAS TOLD THAT HUSAK'S SCHEDULE FOR THAT PERIOD WAS FULL. SUGGESTED LATER DATE CONFLICTED WITH QADDAFI'S ATTENDANCE AT OAU SESSION. WHETHER OTHER DATE FOR QADDAFI VISIT WILL BE SET IS UNCLEAR, BUT FONMIN CHNOUPEK STILL INTENDS TO VISIT LIBYA BEFORE END OF YEAR.

4. VOJTA'S THIRD WORLD EXPERIENCE HAS ALL BEEN IN AFRICA (BUINEA, SOMALIA, ZAMBIA). HE IS AS PERSONABLE AND VOLUABLE AS 1971 BIOGRAPHIC REPORTING FROM LUSAKA STATED. WE AGREE WITH LUSAK THAT HIS WIFE IS AN ASSET. HE APPARENTLY SOAKS UP EXTRANEIOUS FACTS (HE TOLD ME CZECHOSLOVAKIA PRODUCES 125 MILLION PAIRS OF SHOES ANNUALLY, EXPORTING HALF TO THE USSR) AND IS WILLING TO POINT OUT SOME MINOR SHORTCOMINGS OF HIS COUNTRY ("YOU CAN BUY BETTER CZECH SHOES IN LONDON THAN IN PRAGUE").  
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